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In Re Application of:

Date: April 29, 2004

Balakrishna R. IYER, et al.

Confirmation No. 4803

Serial No: 09/966,624

Group Art Unit: 2171

Filed: September 27, 2001

Examiner: Amsbury, Wayne P.

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR UTILIZING A DATABASE AS A SERVICE

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2004, please amend the above-identified application in the following manner:

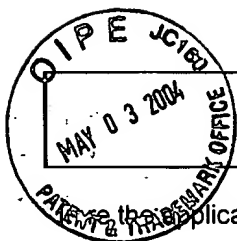
**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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## TRANSMITTAL FORM

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## ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

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<input type="checkbox"/>	After Final	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part B-Issue Fee Transmittal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input type="checkbox"/>	Information disclosure statement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter to Draftsman	<input type="checkbox"/>	Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Form 1449	<input type="checkbox"/>	Drawings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/>	(X) Copies of References	<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Postcard
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension of Time Request *	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fee Address Indication Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/>	Express Abandonment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Terminal Disclaimer		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certified Copy of Priority Doc	<input type="checkbox"/>	Power of Attorney and Revocation of Prior Powers		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Response to Incomplete Appln	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change of Correspondence Address		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Response to Missing Parts	*Extension of Term: Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response for <u>one (1) month</u> , from April 5, 2004 to May 5, 2004.			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Executed Declaration by Inventor(s)				

## CLAIMS

FOR	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest # of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	43	43	0	\$18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	9	9	0	\$86.00	\$ 0.00
Total Fees					\$ 0.00

## METHOD OF PAYMENT

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check no. <u>7076</u> in the amount of \$ <u>110.00</u> is enclosed for payment of one month extension of time fee.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. _____ (Account Holder Name) for payment of fees.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>09-0460</u> (IBM Corporation)

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Attorney Name	Joseph A. Sawyer, Jr., Reg. No. 30,801
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Date	April 29, 2004

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